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SUBJECT: CHINESE ARCHEOLOGICAL EXHIBITION

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1. PENDING PRC RESPONSE TO OUR PROPOSED DRAFT TEXTS,
THERE ARE NUMBER OF PERIPHERAL MATTERS WHICH WE WOULD
LIKE YOU TO TAKE UP WITH CHINESE.

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2. CATALOGUE: BOTH GALLERIES ARE PLEASED WITH CATALOGUE
PRINTED BY PRC AND BELIEVE IT WOULD BE WELL RECEIVED BY
PUBLIC. REQUEST YOU ASK CHINESE FOR WHOLESALE PRICE PER
VOLUME, QUANTITIES AVAILABLE AND ANY OTHER DETAILS THEY
MAY WISH TO PROVIDE WHICH WOULD ENABLE GALLERIES TO
MAKE DECISION ON MAKING CATALOGUE AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT
EXHIBITION. IN ADDITION, CANADIANS HAVE INFORMED US THAT
PRC HAS PROVIDED GOC WITH EDITED VERSION OF CANADIAN
CATALOGUE WHICH HAS CHINESE "LLEARANCE". WE ALSO PLAN TO
PUBLISH THIS TEXT AS SECOND, "SUPPLEMENTARY" CATALOGUE
AVAILABLE FOR SALE TO VISITORS TO EXHIBITION. REQUEST
YOU INFORM CHINESE OF THIS. FYI WE WOULD HOPE TO SELL
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PRC CATALOGUE FOR UNDER 50 CENTS, CANADIAN CATALOGUE ST

UNDER DOLS 5. PRC CATALOGUE WOULD MAKE HANDY CHECKLIST FOR VISITORS AS THEY WALK THROUGH GALLERIES; LARGER CATALOGUE WOULD SERVE AS EDUCATIONAL REFERENCE WORK FOR

LATER PERUSAL. END FYI.

3. DATES: PLEASE REPORT ON YOUR DISCUSSIONS WITH CHINESE PER REFTEL PARA 2. IF "RESPONSIBLE OFFICIALS" REJECTED OUR REQUEST FOR THREE WEEK EXTENS ON OF KANSAS CITY CLOSING DATE FROM JUNE 7 TO JUNE 28, YOU MAY INFORM PRC THAT WE PLAN FOR SHOW TO BE OPEN AT NGA FROM DECEMBER 8 TO MARCH 30 AND AT KANSAS CITY FROM APRIL 20 TO JUNE 7.

4. MUSEUM FACILITIES AND PREPARATIONS FOR EXHIBITION: REQUEST YOU INFORM CHINESE THAT WE WILL BE PREPARED WITHIN WEEK OR TWO TO SHOW BLUEPRINTS AND OTHER PREPARATIONS TO PRCLO REPRESENTATIVES, SHOULD THEY WISH. IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF PRC WOULD DESIGNATE PRCLO OFFICER AS AUTHORIZED TO CLEAR PHYSICAL PREPARATIONS, WRITTEN MATERIALS AND OTHER MATTERS AS NEED ARISES.

5. CHINESE COMMITTEE FOR ORGANIZATION OF EXHIBITIONS OF ARCHEOLOGICAL FINDS: REQUEST YOU ASK CHINESE WHETHER COMMITTEE'S MEMBERSHIP AS LISTED IN SWEDISH AND PREVIOUS CATALOGUES REMAINS CORRECT (WANG ;YEH-CHIU, HSAI AI, WANG CHIH-FAN, HSIAO TE, WANG YU-TANG, LIU KWANG-YA, KUO LAO-WEI, WANG CHEN-LI, YAN HUNG-LIANG).

6. US COMMITTEE FOR THE CHINESE EXHIBITION: WE ARE NOW PLANNING SMALL HONORARY MEMBERSHIP INCLUDING MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS BOTH HOUSES, SENIOR TRUSTEES FROM TWO MUSEUMS, CHAIRMAN OR PRESIDENT OF PAN AM AND IBM, J.D. ROCKEFELLER 3RD, DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR HUMANITIES, PRESIDENT NCUSCR, AND POSSIBLY ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM MISSOURI AND D.C. WORKING LEVEL COMMITTEE WILL BE MADE UP OF TWO REPRESENTATIVES EACH FROM NGA, NELSON, FREER, NCUSCR AND DEPARTMENT. IF CHINESE INQUIRE, YOU MAY INFORM THEM OF ABOVE. SISCO

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